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Applicant : Nancy A. Abbe

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents

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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated

May 15, 2002, applicant files herewith a Request for Continued

Examination under rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and respectfully

requests consideration of the following amendments and remarks.